

A NEW LEAF

*Resolved
That this
year I will put
my money in the
Bank. It will
be safe there and
it will grow.*

*Last year
I saved
nothing*

PETER COOPER, who, when yet alive, gave \$630,000 to found Cooper Union in New York City, earned only \$25 a year for the first two years he was in that city. He was an apprentice to a coachmaker. He SAVED \$20 the first two years and put it in the bank.

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CORN EXPERTS WILL SPEAK.

Those of our farmers who may be able to attend the State Corn Show to be held at Morgantown by the College of Agriculture and State Board of Agriculture, January 5-7, will have opportunity to listen to lectures by some of the best authorities on corn culture in the country. Mr. C. G. Williams, the Agronomist of the Ohio Agricultural Experiment Station at Wooster, Ohio, is one of the best known corn experts, and will give an illustrated lecture on the evening of January 5. Mr. Charles P. Hartley, of Washington, D. C., is the corn expert hired by Uncle Sam to conduct the investigations on corn improvement for the U. S. Department of Agriculture. He will give an illustrated lecture on "Corn Variations and Their Utilizations" on the evening of January 6. Mr. I. C. Cook, Jr., of Chillicothe, Ohio, is one of Ohio's leading corn growers and will give an afternoon talk on the methods through which the yield of corn has been raised in Ohio from 32.8 bushel per acre in 1900 to 1904 to 38.6 bushel per acre from 1905 to 1909. There men have added millions of dollars to the income of America corn growers. It will pay any corn grower a trip to Morgantown just to hear them, for they can tell him how by the better selection of seed, by testing it, and by breeding it for higher yields he can increase his yield several bushels per acre. Worth much more than the cost of his trip.

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Register \$1.00 a year.

NEW YEAR REFLECTIONS

Start right.
Continue right.
Wind up the year right.
Resolve, and stick to it.
Avoid past errors and mistakes.
Profit by your follies, and be wiser.

Be stable in your ways, stronger in the right.

Rebuke wrong, turn from sin, cling to the good.

If you stumble, get up; if you fall don't give up.

Attempt something, have a purpose, persevere.

Speak kind words often, harsh ones very seldom.

If you blunder, let it be on the side of right rather than wrong.

Don't scowl, don't frown, but wreath your face in smiles.

Don't drown yourself in doubt, but buoy up your life with hope.

Be good natured at home, good natured abroad, and you'll live long to enjoy it.

Be cautious in judging, great in forbearing, accuse little, forgive much.

Accept our reflections, take this paper, read it carefully, send it to your friends, and may your New Year be happy, and all the year pleasant.

TRAINLOAD OF BABIES.

New York is giving its babies away to Texas people who readily give them homes. A train called the stork train was sent to Houston with 53 orphaned and foundling babies and it was given a warm reception.

The demand for the babies was so strong that the city's quota was grabbed up immediately and they came near confiscating a car intended for San Antonio.

Ungenerous Action.

There are many who excuse their own life spent on a lower plane by applying the wrong epithet to those who live on a higher one.

VERY WATCHFUL.

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OLEOMARGARINE CONSUMPTION.

The production of oleomargarine increased from 92,282,815 pounds in 1909 to 139,755,426 pounds in 1909. Of this latter amount 3,491,978 pounds were taxed at ten cents per pound. It will thus be noted that over 97 per cent of all the oleomargarine manufactured during the last fiscal year was taxed at only one-fourth cent per pound. These figures are issued by the federal internal revenue commissioner and are authentic. They clearly demonstrate the fact that the oleomargarine business is not working under such a burden as many people think. People have heard so much about the ten cent tax on artificially colored oleomargarine that they have naturally associated this tax with all oleomargarine.

As a matter of fact less than three per cent of the total product is taxed at ten cents per pound, the remainder being taxed only a quarter of a cent per pound.

An effort will probably be made by the oleomargarine manufacturers to secure the repeal of the ten cent tax at the present session of Congress. These statistics indicate that the claims advanced that the present law is "burden upon the poor man because it taxed his butter ten cents per pound" is not founded upon fact.

Yours truly,
The National Dairy Union,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dupes Still in Majority.

The Duke of Wellington once expressed to Isquierdo his wonder at the enormous number of charlatans that there were in the world. Isquierdo quietly said: "I beg your pardon; I do not think there are enough—in proportion to the dupes."

New Year's Day in the Long Ago

LONG years ago the people who lived in a great many different places in the world were very much interested in New Year's day, just as we are, and they did many things in honor of the day, exactly as we do. They feasted and decorated their houses and churches, and at 12 o'clock they were very particular to show in some way that they were rejoicing that another year had begun.

Not all of these people celebrated New Year's on the same day. The ancient Romans used to have their New Year's day in March; then they changed to January, and a large part of the rest of the world followed them. The Jewish people have another day and the Chinese and Japanese still another, but whenever the day falls, according to their special calendar, there is always a very important celebration of it.

The Druids, who were the priests of England before the Christian religion was taken into Great Britain, also celebrated New Year's day. They were very interesting and very strange people, these Druids, and, according to what one reads about them in history, one always imagines them as wearing beautiful white robes and having tall, magnificent figures and flowing white beards and hair. At any rate, they always wore white robes on New Year's day, for that was the day when they cut down the sacred mistletoe.

For the Druids didn't think that mistletoe was only a pretty green vine. They believed it to be a miraculous growth which would prevent people from being harmed by poisonous food or drink.

On that day a particularly large, handsome Druid, with glistening white beard and hair and rather cold gray eyes—Druids always had cold gray eyes we believe—and clothed most beautifully in white, would climb the oak tree on which the mistletoe grew and cut it down with a golden sickle. He wouldn't take it in his hand, because they didn't consider that respectful enough to the sacred mistletoe, which could do such wonderful things. Instead he would catch it in a pure white cloth and climb carefully down the tree with it. After this an altar would be erected and white bulls sacrificed and prayers offered. Then the Druidical community felt that for the following year they would have all the good luck possible.

You see in those days New Year's celebrations were very serious things, and all of the ceremonies attending them were religious.

PROFIT IN MULES.

Mules have been going straight up as long as we can remember and a Western railroad contractor paid \$14,000 for sixty head the other day.

These hybrids are being more extensively used right along. In the grading camps and on the irrigation work here in the West they have almost entirely supplanted the horse. They stand much more wear and tear and are good for three times the amount of work of an ordinary horse so any one can see why they are worth a lot of money. A friend of ours has made a considerable fortune out of mules in ten years, beginning with just enough to buy a jack and a few footsore old mares ready for market in two years and a half. A good mule is worth \$200 any day and will oftentimes bring twice that much. No one can tell the age of a mule by its teeth, either. The man who says he can is crazy. There is no real way to tell a mule's age. Gen. Grant was right when he said that it just lives and keeps on living long after horses that started out at the same time have been used as glue. —Denver Field and Farm.

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